

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2142
ANSWERED ON:29.07.2002
IRRIGATED/NON-IRRIGATED/WASTE LAND
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the total irrigated, non-irrigated and waste land in the agriculture sector, State-wise as on date;
- (b) the target fixed for providing irrigation facilities and also to reclaim waste land during the last three years, State-wise and to what extent it has been achieved;
- (c) whether any coordination between all the concerned agencies exist to evaluate the programmes of irrigation of unirrigated land and reclamation of waste land;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) the steps proposed to be taken to achieve the objectives during 2002-2003 and 2003-2004;
- (f) whether use of agricultural land for non-agricultural purposes is increasing; and
- (g) if so, the steps taken to increase fertility of the land during the last three years?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) As per the available estimate, an area of 570.55 lakh ha. is agricultural irrigated land, 855.43 lakh ha. is non-irrigated land and 638.50 lakh ha. is Waste land. The State-wise details are in Annexure-I.

(b) to (d) The Ministry of Water Resources had set a target of 170.55 lakh ha. area for creation of irrigation potential during 1997-2000 and created irrigation potential of 51.70 lakh ha. as per State-wise details in Annexure - II.

Government of India through Ministry of Rural Development is implementing Integrated Wasteland Development Project for improvement of wasteland. During last three years an area of 25.41 lakh ha. has been reclaimed with expenditure of Rs.381.28 crore as per State-wise details in Annexure III.

The Technical Advisory Committee set up by the Ministry of Water Resources evaluates the proposals of State Irrigation Departments for major irrigation projects and the projects are technically approved after clearance of Ministry of Agriculture from agronomical angle. For research and development in the field of irrigation a Joint Committee of Ministry of Agriculture and Ministry of Water Resources exist for exchange of expertise & action plan.

(e) Government of India has launched an Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme in 1997-98 for expeditious completion of ongoing major and medium irrigation projects. Under this programme an amount of Rs.8480.03 crore have been utilized upto March 2002 and budget provision for 2002-03 under this programme is Rs.2800.00 crore.

(f) & (g) Yes Sir. As per available estimate the area under non-agricultural uses have increased from 210.90 lakh ha. in 1990-91 to 228.10 lakh ha. in the year 1998-99. However, during the same period the net cultivated area has remained almost constant at about 1420.00 lakh ha. Two major schemes, namely, National Project on Development & Use of Bio-Fertilizers and National Project on Organic Farming are being implemented for increasing fertility of the land.

ANNEXURE-I

State-wise Agricultural Irrigated Land, Non Irrigated Land and Wasteland

(Area in 000` ha)

S.No.	States/UTs	Agricultural	Non-Irrigated	Wasteland
		Irrigated Land	Land	

1	Andhra Pradesh	4538.00	6440.00	5175.00
2	Arunachal Pr	36.00	149.00	1833.00
3	Assam	572.00	2129.00	2002.00
4	Bihar	3682.00	3749.00	2100.00
5	Chhattisgarh	+	+	+
6	Goa	22.00	120.00	61.00
7	Gujarat	3058.00	6616.00	4302.00
8	Haryana	2842.00	786.00	373.00
9	Himachal Pra	103.00	446.00	3166.00
10	JharKhand	++	++	++
11	Jammu & Kashmir	309.00	424.00	6544.00
12	Karnataka	2492.00	7997.00	2084.00
13	Kerala	375.00	1884.00	145.00
14	Madhya Pradesh	6560.00	13279.00	6971.00
15	Maharashtra	2946.00	14786.00	5349.00
16	Manipur	65.00	75.00	1295.00
17	Meghalaya	48.00	173.00	990.00
18	Mizoram	9.00	100.00	407.00
19	Nagaland	63.00	198.00	840.00
20	Orissa	2090.00	3958.00	2134.00
21	Punjab	4004.00	234.00	223.00
22	Rajasthan	5499.00	10574.00	10564.00
23	Sikkim	16.00	79.00	357.00
24	Tamil Nadu	3019.00	2616.00	128.00
25	Tripura	35.00	242.00	2301.00
26	Uttar Pradesh	12691.00	4894.00	3877.00
27	Uttaranchal	+++	+++	+++
28	West Bengal	1911.00	3529.00	572.00
29	A&N Island	0.00	38.00	28.00
30	Chandigarh	2.00	0.00	0.00
31	D & N Haveli	5.00	18.00	7.00
32	Daman & Diu	1.00	3.00	4.00
33	Delhi	39.00	2.00	14.00
34	Lakshadweep	1.00	2.00	0.00
35	Pondicherry	22.00	3.00	4.00
	Total	57055.00	85543.00	63850.00

+ - Area included in Madhya Pradesh
 ++ - Area included in Bihar
 +++ - Area included in Uttar Pradesh

Annexure-II

Targets and Achievements on creation of Irrigation Potential

States Creation of Irrigation Potential in `000 hectare

Targets for IX
 Plan (97-2000) Achievement
 during 1999-2000 (Prov)

Andhra Pradesh	608.03	488.10
Arunachal Pradesh	23.00	10.07
Assam	19.34	12.94
Bihar + Jharkhand	697.25	213.41
Goa	19.24	5.09
Gujarat	1937.10	86.53
Haryana	278.35	44.22
Himachal Pradesh	9.00	6.72
Jammu & Kashmir	50.90	7.22
Karnataka	1264.88	220.50
Kerala	423.30	127.07
Madhya Pr.+Chhatisgarh	534.75	120.10
Maharashtra	2283.00	777.00
Manipur	65.38	27.00
Meghalaya	12.70	6.24
Mizoram	1.85	1.96
Nagaland	18.80	5.51
Orissa	1004.99	211.48
Punjab	367.86	64.09

Rajasthan	508.70	106.75
Sikkim	4.50	2.43
Tamil Nadu	16.37	8.31
Tripura	38.92	15.20
Uttar Pr. + Uttaranchal	6000.00	2111.05
West Bengal	845.00	481.41
Total - States	17033.21	5160.40
Total - UTs	22.31	9.91
Total - States + UTs	17055.52	5170.31

Annexure-III

State-wise Physical and Financial Achievement under Integrated Wasteland Development Programme during last three years (1999-2002)

Physical in 000` ha., Financial Rs. in lakh

S.No.	States	Financial	Physical
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1	Andhra Pradesh	4276.90	195.48
2	Arunachal Pradesh	85.85	8.30
3	Assam	2337.63	193.13
4	Bihar	66.00	8.00
5	Chhattisgarh	697.90	88.01
6	Gujarat	2382.16	110.48
7	Haryana	309.44	30.28
8	Himachal Pradesh	2538.79	193.83
9	Jharkhand	189.49	24.68
10	Jammu & Kashmir	693.13	30.57
11	Karnataka	1933.22	116.23
12	Kerala	241.03	19.47
13	Madhya Pradesh	3982.29	254.49
14	Maharashtra	1439.96	169.46
15	Manipur	825.11	20.50
16	Meghalaya	260.74	34.72
17	Mizoram	933.23	113.12
18	Nagaland	2419.11	127.18
19	Orissa	1905.94	112.19
20	Punjab	268.92	14.18
21	Rajasthan	2499.75	205.30
22	Sikkim	836.44	42.94
23	Tamil Nadu	1997.80	157.61
24	Tripura	160.23	19.42
25	Uttar Pradesh	4169.27	166.70
26	Uttaranchal	632.33	79.16
27	West Bengal	45.00	5.46
28	Goa		
29	A&N Island		
30	Chandigarh		
31	D & N Haveli		
32	Delhi		
33	Daman & Diu		
34	Lakshadweep		
35	Pondicherry		
36	DVC (Jharkhand)		
37	HQ/Others		

Total	38127.66	2540.89
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